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Dear Averell:

Just a note, now that it is official, to again congratulate you. I am delighted for you, the State Department and the Government.

Also I am delighted personally as it will bring us ever closer together. I continue to admire as I have for many years your courage and dedication as evidenced by your willingness to shoulder an ever larger burden of activities and responsibility at a time when most men are seeking the relaxation of the "5-day weekend".

With warm regards,

/S/ John

*Handwritten: 4-10-63*  
The Honorable W. Averell Harriman  
Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs  
The State Department  
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